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REGULATED G PROTEIN GAMMA  
SUBUNIT: COMPOSITIONS AND  
METHODS OF USE

Examiner: Not yet assigned  
  
Art Unit: 1645  
  
COMMUNICATION UNDER  
  
37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825  
  
AND  
  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 26, 2002, requesting submission of a Sequence Listing, and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825, Applicants submit herewith the required paper copy and a computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing, along with a petition to extend the time of response by two months. Further, Applicants submit this amendment which amends the specification to include a sequence ID number that corresponds to the attached Sequence Listing. Please amend the specification in adherence with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 28, line 1, with the following:

The particular expression vector used to transport the genetic information into the cell is not particularly critical. Any of the conventional vectors used for expression in eukaryotic or prokaryotic cells may be used. Standard bacterial expression vectors include plasmids such as pBR322 based plasmids, pSKF, pET23D, and fusion expression systems such

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